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#### INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Minutes of Meeting held in Director's

Conference Room, First Floor, Administration Building

on Friday, 18 August 1950, at 1000 hours

Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter, Director of Central Intelligence, in the Chair

#### MINERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence Department of State

Major General A. R. Bolling, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army

Rear Admiral Felix Johnson, Director of Naval Intelligence Lieut. Colonel Thomas J. Grant, acting for Director of Intelligence,

Headquarters, United States Air Force Dr. Walter F. Colby, Director of Intelligence, Atomic Energy

Commission Brigadier General Vermon F. Megce, Deputy Director for Intelligence,

Mr. Victor P. Keny, acting for Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

The Joint Staff

#### ALSO PERSENT

Mr. Prescott Childs, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. William C. Trueheart, Department of State
Colonel Hamilton Howne, Department of the Army
Colonel Charles V. Brumley, Department of the Army
Lieut. Colonel Arthur G. Kiel, Department of the Army
Captain John M. Ocker, USN, Department of the Navy
Mr. H. H. Strickland, Department of the Air Force
Captain R. G. McCool, USN, The Joint Staff
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### MINUTES OF IAC MEETING - 18 August 1950

There was no formal agenda for this meeting.

## I. THE SUPPORT OF THE MIS PROGRAM BY THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES

- 2. THE DCI opened the meeting by mentioning the recent suspension of support for the MIS program by the military intelligence agencies on account of the Korean emergency. He asked that everyone concerned do what he could to facilitate MIS production.
- 3. GENERAL BOLLING said that as soon as he found the Army was not meeting its commitments he had the matter investigated and discovered that the trouble lay in the fact that the Engineers and the Transportation Corps had been forced by the emergency to pull everyone off the MIS. The Army was now confronted by the proposition of getting additional personnel, but had not made much progress in solving the problem.
- 4. ADMIRAL JOHNSON said he was aware that the Navy had not kept up with its commitments, but thought that the current increase in the personnel available to him would enable the Navy to do better in the future.
- 5. GENERAL BOLLING suggested that it would be helpful if there were some way to earmark funds and personnel of the Army technical services for NIS purposes. They could be earmarked in such a way that they could not be used for other purposes.
  - 6. GENERAL MEGEE seconded General Bolling's suggestion.
- 7. ADMIRAL JOHNSON also had a suggestion. He thought that if the editing of NIS drafts were a little less meticulous, the production of the NIS could be expedited considerably. Since the NIS reports were to be kept under continuous review after publication for maintenance purposes, corrections for small grammatical errors and the like could be published as part of subsequent revisions. He added that it might be advisable to ask the JCS to re-examine NIS production priorities.
- 8. THE DCI was doubtful if the JCS should be asked to re-examine NIS priorities, because they had already cut the annual production rate in half.

- 9. ADMIRAL FORMSON and GENERAL MEGAL explained that the JCS might desire to rearrange the priorities without further reduction in the production rate.
- 10. ADMIRAL JOHNSON, by way of describing a method that might be applied generally, said the Navy was using the NIS format in preparing relevant papers so that they could be fitted into the appropriate NIS report. The idea was to save effort and time.
- 11. GENERAL BOLLING returned to his suggestion that funds and personnel be earmarked for NIS production. He thought that the funds should be used to set up civilian personnel, not officers, within G-2, so that the technical services could not divert them to non-intelligence work. He wished to know if CIA could furnish funds to be used to procure and employ personnel in this way.
- 12. THE DCI countered by asking if the Army could not get a share of the increase in the Defense budget, <u>GENERAL BOLLING's</u> reply being that an attempt had proved this to be impossible.
- 13. ADMIRAL JOHNSON asked about the CIs arrangement to furnish funds for State Department HIS production, THE DCI's reply being that the arrangement could not be extended to other departments during the current fiscal year.
- 14. General discussion followed, after which THE DCI suggested that he write a latter to the Secretary of Defense supporting General Bolling's idea.
- 15. There was further discussion, after which THE DOI repeated his proposal that he write the Secretary of Defense.
- 16. MB. AMMSTROMO stated that he wished to compliment the MIS coordinater on the annual report, since it was a very good job.
- 17. Action: All agreed that the DCI should write the Secretary of Defense, suggesting that funds and personnel be earmarked for the BB production of the Department of Defense, and that such funds and personnel should not be diverted to other purposes.

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# 11. OSTAINING FROM BICOG THE HEPORTS SUBMITTED BY GERMAN SCIENTISTS UNDER CONTROL LAW NO. 23

- 18. THE DCI mentioned this item, which had been brought up at the last meeting of the IAC, saying that he thought the matter was settled and asking Mr. Arestrong if he wished to give a report.
  - 19. MR. AMESTHONG requested Mr. Truebeart to give a report.
- 20. Mr. This HART discussed briefly what had transpired, and stated that a conclusion had been reached. A statement had been received from HICOG to the effect that the Military Security Board of his office would agencies such henceforth furnish to the Defense and other intelligence reports as they requested, including all reports submitted to the Scientific Research Division, MSS, by German scientists. Implementation was proceeding.
  - 21. Home general discussion followed.
- 22. Action: The IAC took note of the statement by Mr. Trusheart.

#### III. ACTIVITY OF THE ESBRAHOTSEN LINE

- 23. ADMIRAL JOHNSON mentioned that he was very disturbed about the activities of the Isbrandtsen Line in Selivering critical materials to Communist China. The United States was in a bad position in approaching the British on similar matters when our own record was not clean.
  - 24. There was general discussion of the matter.
  - 25. Action: No action was taken.
  - 26. The meeting adjourned at 1030 hours.

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